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Inventor: Rick C. Stevens

For: OPTICAL COUPLING

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☒ 3 sheets of drawing.

☐ An assignment of the invention to Lockheed Martin Corporation.

☐ A certified copy of a \_\_\_\_\_ application.

☐ An associate power of attorney.

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